

Action from Housing and Community Safety Committee 14 February 2023	
Agenda Item No:	7
Report Title	Question Time
Responsible Officer:	Neil Strachan
Information Sought:	Response:
<p>The Property Asset Manager advised that there had been a lot of work in the background to ensure that the processes were in place for the coming year. The details of the properties identified had been circulated to Members previously but it could be circulated again to highlight how the programme would be worked through.</p>	<p>I refer to the Housing and Community Safety Committee on 14 February where the Committee requested an update on the programme for moss removal be circulated to Members.</p> <p>The following was the intended draft programme for the coming years which is based on an area basis, with numbers of properties and was provided to members in November 2022:</p> <p>2023/4 Forres-Dallas-Findhorn-Lhanbryde area (1554 addresses)</p> <p>2024/5 Elgin-Findrassie-Fogwatt area (New Elgin hotspot being done 2022/3) (1421 addresses)</p> <p>2025/6 Lossiemouth-Fochabers-Buckie-Cullen (1956 addresses)</p> <p>2026/7 Rothes-Speyside-Keith (1341 addresses).</p> <p>This programme would be intended to be a rolling programme with 2027/28 starting at Forres-Dallas-Findhorn-Lhanbryde area again. During the 2022/23 financial year we have had a challenge securing a contractor to progress moss clearing in areas identified as having issues however we have been able to undertake works at circa 1380 addresses up to 31 March 2023. Works have been undertaken across a number of settlements. Attached is a list with streets and settlements for information.</p> <p>In addition to the specific roof cleaning contract we have a planned programme of gutter and external decoration which are contracts that will be working on or close to the roofs and we may look to include cleaning of roofs at the same time particularly if significant moss build up is noted or it makes financial sense.</p> <p>It should be noted that when undertaking potential roof cleaning the roof requires to be surveyed to check its condition and in some</p>

	<p>instances it maybe that cleaning cannot be undertaken due to the roof tile condition. If that is the case the properties would then be transferred to a programme for roof replacement.</p> <p>I hope the above is sufficient for your current purpose however happy to provide further information.</p>
<p>The Property Asset Manager added that a report will come back to the Committee to detail the investigations into the use of different technology.</p>	<p>Investigations are continuing into what technology could be used to help deal with damp and mould. Information on what actions the Council will be taking to use technology to help in this area will be included in the next Housing Investment Programme report which will be the year end position report likely to be reported to the Housing and Community Safety Committee on 27 June.</p>

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